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TAGS: UNGA PORG WA CM
SUBJECT: CAMEROONIAN FOREIGN MINISTER ATTENDING NAMIBIA DEBATE

REF: YAOUNDE 2147 AND PREVIOUS

1. ON APRIL 28 I SPOKE WITH FOREIGN MINISTER KEUTCHA PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE TO THE UNITED STATES FOR THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY DEBATE ON NAMIBIA. HE CONFIRMED THAT NAMIBIA WAS THE SOLE PURPOSE OF HIS VISIT AND THAT HE WOULD LEAVE NEW YORK ON OR ABOUT MAY 8 AFTER THE TERMINATION OF THE DEBATE. THE REASON FOR HIS ATTENDING THE DEBATE IS BECAUSE HISTORICALLY CAMEROON FEELS THAT IT HAS PLAYED AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE SETTLEMENT OF SOUTHERN AFRICAN QUESTIONS SINCE IT WAS AHIDJO IN HIS CAPACITY AS PRESIDENT OF OAU WHO PRESENTED THE LUSAKA MANIFESTO TO THE UN IN 1969.

2. IN COMMENTING ON THE NAMIBIA SOLUTION, KEUTCHA EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR ALL THAT THE CONTACT GROUP HAD DONE IN SEEKING TO ARRIVE AT A PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEM. HE INDICATED THAT CAMEROON FAVORED A NEGOTIATED SOLUTION AND HOPED THAT THE PRESENT UN DEBATE WOULD RESULT IN AGREEMENT FOR A FINAL SETTLEMENT.

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